

Bruce Visser, Mayor

Council meetings 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday @ 7:30 pm @ City Hall

City Council: Joey Svejda, Tim Harbach, Heather Rinderknecht, Rodney Haerther, & Robert Spading

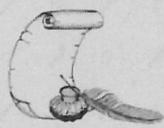
City Hall: 319-446-7870 M-F 7:30-12 & 1-4

Library: 319-446-7676 M-F 10am-noon & 1-6 Sat. 9am-12

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*Hello from the Mayor's office!*

Greetings from City Hall. One question we receive many times is "Can I build a fence in a drainage easement?" The answer is generally no. If you have a fence in a drainage easement and you don't have a building permit for it, then you likely will get a letter to remove the fence from the easement.

Atkins is a participant in the FEMA flood insurance program and the flood management ordinance is a part of that participation. Without the ordinance FEMA will provide no flood insurance. The easements are part of the flood and storm water management. FEMA is producing new flood information for Atkins this year, so the City will stay up to date with actions that FEMA makes in those areas.

How do you know if your property has a drainage easement? Your property plat, which is recorded at the County Recorder. The City has some development information that cover easements, but the recorded plat is the legal definition for the easements that may run with your property. Keep the obstructions (fences, buildings, etc.) out of drainage easements, that is the goal. Thank you for your help in this matter, your neighbors appreciate it!

I will be at City Hall on some Saturday mornings from 9am to 10am if you would like to stop and talk. Schedule for upcoming Saturdays are: November 10<sup>th</sup> & November 17<sup>th</sup>. November council meetings dates are the 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>. All are encouraged to attend.

Regards,  
Bruce Visser, Mayor



City Hall and Library will be closed on  
Thursday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> & Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup>  
for Thanksgiving Holiday  
(Atkins Library will be open on Saturday, November 24<sup>th</sup>)



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### November Holiday Hours

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Veterans Day Observance  
Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup>  
Closed

Thanksgiving  
Thursday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Closed

FRIDAY November 23<sup>rd</sup>  
8:00am to 3:00pm



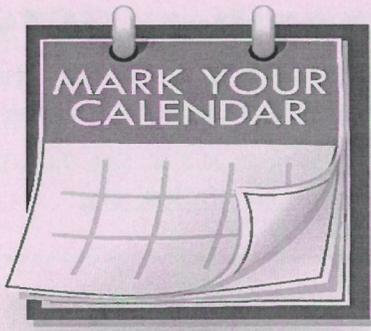
**Adult Reading Group** will be on Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup> @ 2:00pm. This month's book will be "A Man Called Ove" by Fredrik Backman. December's book group will meet on Monday, December 10<sup>th</sup> @ 2:00pm and the book will be "The Dry" by Jane Harper.



**WILL YOU GIVE?**  
[www.bloodcenterimpact.org](http://www.bloodcenterimpact.org)

**Wednesday, November 21<sup>st</sup>**  
**3:00pm - 6:30pm**  
**Atkins Park Pavilion**

To donate, contact the blood center at (800) 747-5401 or [www.bloodcenterimpact.org](http://www.bloodcenterimpact.org). Group Sponsor Code: 2396



**Atkins Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church**  
121 Main Avenue Atkins, IA 52206

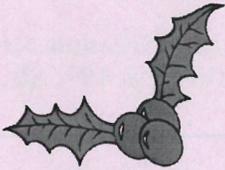
**Thursday, November 8<sup>th</sup> - Thanksgiving Dinner**  
11:00am to 1:00pm  
**Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup> - Atkins Craft Show**  
8:00am to 3:00pm  
**Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> - Advent Workshop**  
11:00am



**Crafter's Connection is coming to town!!!**

Yes, Crafter's Connection will be at the **American Legion Memorial Hall** on **NOVEMBER 17th**. Top quality artists and crafters will come together to offer some of the area's finest arts and crafts. Bring your family and friends and enjoy shopping and browsing for Christmas, anniversaries, birthdays or just because. Make sure to have lunch downstairs featuring sloppy joes, homemade beef vegetable soup, and homemade pie for dessert!!

Come early and don't miss out. **Doors open at 9:00 sharp and event goes until 3:00.**



**Atkins Multi-Vendor Holiday Open House**  
**Saturday, November 17, 2018**  
**9am - 3pm**  
**Atkins Park Pavilion**

**Avon ~ Color Street ~ Creative Memories ~ Jewelry by Pam ~ Keep Collective Jewelry**  
**LuLaRoe ~ Pampered Chef**  
**COME AND JOIN THE FUN!!**



The **Atkins Woman's Club** Holiday Tour of Homes will be **Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>**.  
Watch for more information in the Atkins December Newsletter!

**Atkins Community Club** will be hosting the annual **Christmas Party**.

This is a great time to relax, come listen to great holiday music, put your name in the raffle and enjoy watching the smiles on the kids' faces as they visit with Santa!



**When: Sat. Dec. 8th**  
**Where: Atkins Memorial Legion**  
**Approximate Event Times:**  
**11:45am Billy K. Murray Band**  
**12:30pm Santa**  
**12:35pm Raffle Begins**

Also remember to have your outside Christmas decorations up and on for the annual **Lights Contest** that will be any time between **Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Santa is coming to town....on a fire truck!**



The **38 Fire Club** will take Santa around Atkins to deliver goodie bags on **Sunday, December 9th** starting at **4pm** on the east side of town. To have Santa stop at your house, turn your porch lights on. (If they are not on, Santa may not stop by.)